



RESOLUTION

**AMENDING THE SCOPE OF THE PERMITTED INTERACTION GROUP
ESTABLISHED AND AUTHORIZED TO INVESTIGATE MATTERS RELATED TO THE
ALA WAI CANAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT PROJECT.**

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2019, the City Council ("Council") adopted Resolution 19-50, establishing and authorizing a permitted interaction group, composed of Councilmembers Ann Kobayashi, Carol Fukunaga, and Michael Formby, regarding the Ala Wai Canal Flood Risk Management Project ("Project"), which relates to the official business of the Council; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2019, the Council adopted Resolution 19-108, which provided that the permitted interaction group, established and authorized by Resolution 19-50, would continue to be composed of Councilmembers Ann Kobayashi and Carol Fukunaga, and substituted the then newly elected Councilmember Tommy Waters for interim Councilmember Michael Formby; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 19-108 further reiterated the permitted interaction group's scope of authority stating in the BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED clause that:

[T]he permitted interaction group shall present a written report to the Council summarizing the meetings held, input received, and community dialogue from the community meetings, at a Council meeting, pursuant to HRS Section 92-2.5(b)(1)(C), and, upon the Council's acceptance of the report at a subsequent Council meeting, the group shall be dissolved;

and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes that because of the long duration and timeline of the Project, and the ongoing preliminary work on the environmental impact statement and the design and planning by the State, City, and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, a single report to the Council from the permitted interaction group may not be able to capture and encompass the dynamic nature of the Project's design, development, and planning; and

WHEREAS, the Council further recognizes that the permitted interaction group's input along the course of the preliminary work of the Project is not only of value to the Council, but may be relevant to the ongoing iterations of the environmental impact statement or any supplements thereto, and to the project's design, development, and planning; and



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WHEREAS, the Council finds that the permitted interaction group's input to the Council and the public through an interim report, or reports, as the Project progresses in the course of the environmental review process and its design, development, and planning stages will be helpful and relevant to the Council's and the public's understanding this matter, and accordingly, it would be prudent to amend the authority of the permitted interaction group to include the authority to submit an interim report, or reports; provided that there shall be no Council discussion or deliberation on such report or reports until a meeting held after the final report has been submitted; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the scope of authority of the permitted interaction group, established and authorized by Resolution 19-50, and as reiterated by Resolution 19-108, is amended to include the authority to provide an interim report, or reports, of the ongoing development of the Project for informational purposes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no member of the permitted interaction group may, during the investigation, make any binding commitment or create any obligation on behalf of the group, the Council, or the City; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the permitted interaction group may present an interim report, or reports, for informational purposes to the Council and the public, and shall provide a final written report to the Council summarizing the meetings held, input received, and community dialogue from the community meetings, at a Council meeting, pursuant to HRS Section 92-2.5(b)(1)(C), and, upon the Council's acceptance of the report at a subsequent Council meeting, the group shall be dissolved.

INTRODUCED BY:

Ann Kikagashi
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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers